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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY TODMAN

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SUBJECT: AMERICAN POSITON REDUCTIONS

1. DURING RECENT MONTHS YOU HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN MODE
REVIEWS LEADING TO AFFIRMATIVE ACTION IN IMPLEMENTING
PRESIDENT CARTER'S DIRECTIVE THAT THE WORLDWIDE AMERICAN
OVERSEAS PRESENCE BE REDUCED BY SEVERAL HUNDRED POSITIONS.
YOUR SUPPORT HAS BEEN MOST GRATIFYING.

2. I MUST NOW SEEK YOUR FURTHER UNDERSTANDING WITH SPE-
CIAL REGARD TO REDUCING A NUMBER OF STATE DEPARTMENT POSI-
TIONS TO SATISFY NEW DEMANDS WHICH HAVE BEEN LEVIED UPON
ME. SECRETARY VANCE, FINDING IT NECESSARY TO STAFF HIGH
PRIORITY PROGRAMS, HAS ASKED ME TO RELINQUISH SEVENTEEN
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ARA POSITIONS. ADDITIONALLY, TO GIVE NEW IMPETUS AND
DIRECTION TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S DESIRE TO PROMOTE POLITICAL
STABILITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE CARIBBEAN AREA,
I MUST REPROGRAM OTHER ARA POSITIONS.

3. ACCORDINGLY, AFTER CAREFUL REVIEW OF YOUR MODE RESPON-
SES, YOUR ZBB AND GORM PROPOSALS, AND AFTER CONSULTING WITH

CONCERNED BUREAU OFFICIALS AND M/MO, I PLAN TO WITHDRAW FROM
YOUR MISSION COMPLEMENT CERTAIN AMERICAN RESOURCES. IN MOST

CASES, WITHDRAWAL WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL AT LEAST THE END
OF THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, WHILE IN A FEW CASES I HAVE
BEEN AUTHORIZED TO DELAY IMPLEMENTATION SOMEWHAT LONGER.

4. THE CUTS WHICH I RELUCTANTLY, BUT OF NECESSITY, MAKE
IN YOUR STAFF ARE:

MEXICO CITY: SECRETARY, FS-06
POSITION 2U-375
INCUMBENT: VACANT

MEXICO CITY: SECRETARY, FS/MC
POSITION 10-302
INCUMBENT: FRANCIS MCFALL

CUIDAD JUAREZ: SECRETARY, FS-07
POSITION 00-034
INCUMBENT: AUDREY GARBER

GUADALAJARA: ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER, FO-05
POSITION 20-036
INCUMBENT: ANGELO FIGUEROA

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MONTERREY: ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER, FO-07
POSITION 20-056
INCUMBENT: ROBERT BENZINGER

MONTERREY: SECRETARY, FS-06
POSITION 20-053
INCUMBENT: EILEEN JANUS

5. EFFECTIVE DATE FOR REDUCTION OF ALL ABOVE POSITIONS
WHICH ARE CURRENTLY ENCUMBERED IS SEPTEMBER 30, 1978 OR
UPON TRANSFER OF INCUMBENTS, WHICHEVER IS SOONER.
POSITION 20-375, MEXICO CITY, WAS EFFECTIVELY ABOLISHED
UPON DEPARTURE OF PREVIOUS INCUMBENT. THIS MESSAGE HAS
BEEN COORDINATED WITH PER. IN THE NEAR FUTURE, APPRO-
PRIATE CAREER COUNSELORS WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH INCUMBENTS
REGARDING ONWARD ASSIGNMENTS. IN THE EVENT POST PROPOSES
REASSIGN INCUMBENTS OF SECRETARIAL POSITIONS CITED ABOVE,
ADVISE DEPARTMENT NLT COB JUNE 30 NAME OF ALTERNATIVE
SECRETARIAL EMPLOYEE(S) TO BE TRANSFERRED.

6. PROPOSAL TO REPROGRAM A JUNIOR CONSULAR OFFICER
POSITION AT GUADALAJARA TO ESTABLISH THE NEW DEPUTY

PRINCIPAL OFFICER POSITION HAS BEEN APPROVED. THIS
ACTION WAS ONE OF MANY FACTORS CONSIDERED IN ABOLISHING
GUADALAJARA ECON/COMMERCIAL POSITION 20-036. VANCE

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